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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Ken Klein

FROM: Jim Kelly and Andy Purdy

DATE: August 29, 1977

RE: Interview with James Curtis Jenkins, 9:30 A.M. Central Time, August 24, 1977, Room 316, Federal Building, Jackson, Mississippi.

Mr. Jenkins was interviewed because of his participation in the autopsy of President Kennedy.

Mr. Jenkins currently resides at 210 Flag Chapel Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39209 (home phone: 601/922-6866). (See memo from Colleen Boland to Jacqueline Hess, August 17, 1977)

Mr. Jenkins told Ms. Boland in their phone conversation of August 17 that he was very hesitant to talk over the phone because he had information which was controversial. He indicated to us that will be applying for a Government Insured loan for his graduate medical education. Mr. Jenkins was in the service just over five years (serving between 1960 and 1966). Mr. Jenkins began his service in San Diego in 1960 and then went on to Balboa Hospital. Mr. Jenkins made no mention of any service in an area near Lee Oswald. Mr. Jenkins was present in Bethesda in 1963 attending lab technician school there. At the time of his training, Captain Stover was head of the Medical School, Dr. Humes Chief of the Laboratory

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not to enter the cavity." He added that he thought the entry wound in the back was lower than that shown in the drawing. He said he didn't notice any bruising at the tip of the lung. He said that according to his recollection of the location of the back wound the bullet would have been going upward through the body to have exited in the front of the neck. He said he is basing his impression of the direction of the bullet on the fact that the probe did not enter the body cavity.

Jenkins said he believed the autopsy face sheet was essentially "accurate" regarding the location of the wound in the back.